

License Agent News



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CaITIP

(888) DFG-CALTIP or (888) 334-2258 to report a poaching or polluting incident.



2004 INITIAL ORDER OF ABALONE PERMIT REPORT CARDS

Enclosed is your initial shipment of 2004 Abalone Permit Report Cards. Check your shipment carefully! If you find a discrepancy, fax or mail a copy of the shipping report to the Department's License Agent Order Desk, listing the discrepancies (i.e., missing books, books not listed on the shipping report, defective books) within five (5) business days of receipt of the order. Claims of missing licenses will only be allowed if they are noted upon receipt and reported to the License Agent Order Desk within five (5) business days.

Abalone season opens April 1. Please make Abalone Permit Report Cards available to your customers immediately.

ABALONE PERMIT REPORT CARD

The Abalone Report Card is now the Abalone Permit Report Card. New abalone regulations emphasize that license agents must write the diver's sport fishing license number on their abalone permit report card and write the diver's abalone permit report card number on their sport fishing license. 2004 regulations clarify that divers must punch a hole and **completely remove the punched section from the report card** immediately upon bringing an abalone ashore.

(Section 29.15(i), Title 14, of the California Code of Regulations)

Please Note: Duplicate Abalone Permit Report Cards may be issued only from Department of Fish and Game offices. No person may be issued or possess more than one Abalone Permit Report Card per license year. (Section 29.15(h), Title 14, California Code of Regulations)

REGULATION BOOKLETS

Sport fishing regulations are available now on the Department's web site at www.dfg.ca.gov/fg_comm/fishregs.html. 2004 ocean and fresh water sport fishing regulation booklets are scheduled to be shipped to license agents in mid-April.

BAY-DELTA SPORT FISHING ENHANCEMENT STAMP

The Department has received many requests for clarification of where the new Bay-Delta Sport Fishing Enhancement Stamp is required. The stamp is required in the waters listed below:

- The tidal waters of San Francisco Bay and Delta
 The areas east of Golden Gate Bridge and into the San Francisco and San Pablo bays, and Carquinez Strait.
- The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta This includes all rivers, sloughs, canals, cuts, forebays, and flooded islands within the area south of Interstate 80, west of Highway 99, north of I-580, I-205, and I-120, and east of I-680.
- The Sacramento River below Keswick Dam, the Feather River below Oroville Dam, the Yuba River below Englebright Dam, the American River below Nimbus Dam, the Cosumnes River west of Highway 99, the Mokelumne River below Camanche Dam, the Calaveras River below New Hogan Dam, the San Joaquin River below Mendota Dam, the Stanislaus River below Goodwin Dam, the Tuolumne River below LaGrange Dam, and the Merced River below Crocker-Huffman Dam.

An online map of the waters where a Bay-Delta Sport Fishing Enhancement Stamp is required can be viewed on the Department's web site at www.dfg.ca.gov/fg_comm/2004/bdsfes_map.pdf.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Department offices will be closed for the following State holidays so please plan accordingly:

March 31, 2004 May 31, 2004 July 5, 2004 September 6, 2004 October 11, 2004 November 11, 2004 November 25 & 26, 2004

PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR LICENSE SALES EMPLOYEES TO BETTER SERVE YOUR CUSTOMERS.